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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

LAURA LEIGH

Plaintiff,

v.

KEN SALAZAR, et al.,

Defendants.

CASE NO. 3:11-cv-00608

**FEDERAL DEFENDANTS' NOTICE OF
RELATED CASES**

Pursuant to Local Rule 7-2.1, Federal Defendants submit this Notice of Related Cases.

Local Rule 7-2.1 provides that an action may be related to another action if “(a) [b]oth actions involve the same parties and are based on the same or similar claim; (b) [b]oth actions involving the same property, transaction or event; (c) [b]oth actions involve similar questions of fact and the same question of law and their assignment to the same district judge and/or magistrate judge is likely to effect a substantial savings of judicial effort, either because the same result should follow in both actions or otherwise; or, (d) [f]or any other reason, it would entail substantial duplication of labor if the actions were heard by different district judges or magistrate judges. The assigned judges will make a determination regarding the consolidation of the actions.” LR 7-2.1.

The complaint in this action challenges the Bureau of Land Management’s wild horse gather for the Triple B Complex covering approximately 1,682,998 acres in eastern Nevada. *See* Dkt. No. 1. Also, currently pending before this Court is *the Cloud Foundation et al. v. U.S. Bureau of Land Management et al.*, Case No. 3:11-cv-00459-HDM-VPC, which involves the very same wild horse gather on the Triple B Complex. In the *Cloud Foundation*, Plaintiffs sought a temporary restraining order and preliminary injunction to halt the gather. On July 15, 2011, Honorable Judge Howard D. McKibben denied Plaintiffs’ motion. Judge McKibben has

1 invested substantial time and resources acquiring knowledge about the challenged action
 2 involving the Triple B Complex.

3 Because this case and *the Cloud Foundation* challenge the same gather for the Triple B
 4 Complex, it would be the most cost efficient and economical and would reduce substantial
 5 duplication of labor if the same judge were assigned to decide all claims relating to the Triple B
 6 Gather. Accordingly, Federal Defendants respectfully suggest that this action be reassigned to
 7 Honorable Judge Howard D. McKibben.

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 9 Dated: August 26, 2011.

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